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THE VOTE IS THE THING THAT COUNTS.

A Government whose return is considered certain suffers invariably in an election through the confidence of the electorate that they will be re-elected. And the longer and more general the feeling of confidence that they will be re-elected the more they are liable to suffer from this cause. Private business must be conducted so that it does not affect every other and the busy man is tempted to think that when his side is practically certain of winning there will be no danger in his remaining away from the polls and in the interval of time he should use the time to vote, the return of the Rutherford Government has never been doubted by the public generally since the campaign opened—now let us before it, that the public will be swayed by the votes of their friends and supporters that they will be elected. This is present the only apparent danger of the Government not sweeping the Province on Monday by a splendid majority.

If the business of every elector favorable to the Government to do what he can to prevent this confidence becomes over-confidence. First he should not be afraid to vote, secondly, he should do what he can to get like-minded voters to go to the polls also. An election is not over till the polls are closed, and it is the contention of the political bosses that the momentary disappearance of the public that makes or unmakes a Government. However great a voter's sympathy with the Government cause it counts for nothing in the election if the votes are not cast in the ballot in the form of a bullet magnetically marked. The supporters of the Government who are tempted on Monday to remain from the polls because they think the cause is sure and will not go to the polls nor should remember that a large number of electors are likely to figure the same way, and that if enough of them figure that way the Government is lost. The only way to make victory certain in the election is to make it prove all reasons for neglecting to do what one can to make it certain is the belief that it is certain.

R. B. BENNETT VERSUS CALGARY. If Edmonton carried its political opinions out of the cloth of self-interest it would hold without exception for the return of Mr. R. B. Bennett in Calgary. It is Medicine Hat's political view depended on the amount of benefit it got or was likely to get from the Provincial treasury if it would hire out-of-towners in Calgary on Mr. Bennett's behalf.

If Lethbridge and Macleod pinned their faith to the arguments that are being used for the election of Mr. Bennett in Calgary they would hold up both hands for the return of the good old Senator from Alberta.

If the rivals of Calgary shared the lofty ideals for which the Calgary electors are being begged and bugged to vote, the world would for the return of Mr. Bennett hold the hand prints after the water-break.

The return of Mr. R. B. Bennett would be notice to the Government that Calgary has all the railway requirements that it had in mind complete and perfect satisfaction in the good works wrought for it by the influence of the C. P. R. and that it wants the solicitor of that company exalted to the place where he can exert his deepest competing lines that threaten to invade its province.

The return of Mr. R. B. Bennett would be notice to the Government that the seven per cent. of the population of the Province, resident in Calgary, would be the largest percentage of the public funds have best spent, thought they could get more from an enemy of the Government than from a friend of its own.

If R. B. Bennett represented in the Legislature the Government guaranteed the bonds of a railway going to, at, or near Calgary, they would be outraging the declared wishes of the electors who sent him to the Assembly to prevent them doing so.

If with R. B. Bennett representing Calgary more public money was spent in that constituency next year than the concession was made noticed this to every other Province. If it wanted large expenditures it should return members of the Opposition, and wherever possible defeat members of the Government to do so. The causes for which R. B. Bennett

stands are the causes from which Calgary has nothing to hope and everything to fear. The cause against which it stands is that held by the Government and the hope of realizing its possibilities and holding its own in the fight for commercial supremacy. If the "co-operation connection" stands, then the way Calgary would never hear the whistle of train on other than the C. P. R. lines. If they do not have their way it will not be because R. B. Bennett and his followers are going fight in their behalf against the known and obvious interests of the city he professes to regard with affection.

If the Government applied to Calgary the argument that applied to the other cities held by the pro-co-operation candidates and their employees Calgary would never see a better of public money while R. B. Bennett sat in the Assembly. The Coming Kingdom?

At the Strathcona Curling rink yesterday evening the first of the three-concerted in the section for the Douglas cup, R. B. Douglas did not win, but the winner was H. H. McMahon and the winner will play G. W. Martindale in section two.

THE CAMPAIGN.

Locally the Compensation Act is engrossing most attention. This is perhaps natural, as the author of the measure is a candidate in this constituency. It is significant note that the measure has not aroused the hostility of the public. The large employer in the Province, the C. P. R., has made no open opposition to it, but is paying the damages due to workmen according to its requirements. In the last case he has not干涉ed his employees in making of the additional money taken in from the bridge district, nothing like an attack has been made on the act, the newspaper reports are to be taken as reflecting campaign features rather than the merits of the bill. The large employers of the measure speak in the most attitude of many or all of these large employers toward it, but it is more the less significant that the demonstration of the feeling is being made by the small employer, and that the will more will the purpose he secured. He is the man in position to prevent accidents and preventive measures can effectively carry out only when he is in agreement. The more there is in it for him, the more likely he is to adopt precautionary measures.

ALWAYS ON THE JOB.

The Journal yesterday recalled the government because the Act does not exclude farm laborers and declared that the reason for this is that the farmers are more numerous than the farm laborers and that the farmers do not want to be put at a disadvantage. It remains to consider whether the compensation advocate who holds the liquor traffic guilty of upholding irresponsible government. The burden of complaint was that governments were not in a position to interfere with the liquor traffic, and that the advocates of compensation, that it is in the interest of the public to have the liquor traffic under control.

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Rev. Mr. Willibar will occupy the pulpit of the Rutherford govern- ment of the Knox Presbyterian church during which lasted about two hours.

The audience at the close gave three hearty cheers for the pastor before dispersing.

LOCALS.

At the Baptist church on Sunday afternoon Mr. Bill provided the first of a series of four Sunday evening sermons on "Some Plain Truths on Some Plain Christianity." The subject of the first sermon was "The Coming Kingdom."

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24 YEARS AGO TODAY

(Taken from the files of the Edmonton Bulletin, Saturday, March 21, 1888.)

Winter, this morning.

Streets in town are getting dry.

Coffins have been feeding

all winter.

Red River Lodge is still suffering greatly from freezing fogs.

The bridge at St. Albert is being put in order, a new one will be built.

J. W. Shantz returned from freight-

ing trip to Lee in Biscay Roads bare,

I. W. McLean, G. H. Long, J. B.

Potato, and coal to Battledore imme-

diately after the ice goes out.

P. A. Macdonald was on Monday

morning. Smoked glass at a premium.

The weather was quite clear and the clouds were few.

On Tuesday the thermometer in Ham-

ilton registered 10 degrees and in Lon-
don 12 degrees.

How is that for British So-

uth?

The Indian department shipped 16,000

pounds of flour to Peace Hills and 10,000

Leestane delivered a discourse on the life of the Saviour appropriate to the occasion. She died last evening, having been mysteriously ill in this district lately. In apparent perfect health at they went to bed on Wednesday night, but died in the morning. Immediately after death they swelled greatly. Examinations were made, but nothing could be found to account for it. Most of the animals were cows and were in good condition.

The annual meeting of the Library Society on Thursday evening, was a very interesting affair. Mr. D. Ross, the Librarian, Spencerville makes a speech by T. Henderson, "Presentation of Books," from Mark Twain by Miss Ross. Mr. Claude is Made a Mason by Sam Steele. Mr. Ross and two others by C. Over. Excellent music was furnished between the readings by Mr. Ross, and a solo, accompanied by H. White on the harmonium.

A meeting of the directors of the Agricultural Society was held in the City hall, Edmonton, on Saturday last; present were: Mr. McNaughton, president; Mr. McLean, Mr. McTavish, Mr. McConnel, Mr. K. McRae, G. H. Long, J. B. Quinlan, G. Sanderson and T. G. Hutchinson, Directors and W. Stiff secre-

tary-treasurer.

RUSSIA HAS PAID UP.

Capt. Goss Returns a Victoria With

Sealers' Money.

Victoria, B. C., March 19.—Capt.

W. H. Copp, formerly a well-known

sealer, has returned here after an absence of three years, having received the award of over \$25,000 from the Russian government in settlement for his services in the search for the missing schooner Vancouver. Bell off the Com-

manderovski Islands in the summer of

1884, he was paid \$10,000 by the Russian govern-

ment made payment, as well as

for the Carmelite, while the claims of

the British steamer Parke were waived by Canada's representative in order to obtain this settlement. Capt.

W. H. Copp, however, was not satisfied.

A seal-hunting party took him to the British steamer Parke.

Capt. Copp was given the seized

seal-hunting party the command, but

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